

**PATENT**

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of:

**Wayne L. Ryan**

Serial No.: **10/605,669**

Filed: **October 16, 2003**

For: **METHOD AND DEVICE FOR COLLECTING  
AND PRESERVING CELLS FOR ANALYSIS**

Group Art Unit: **1651**

Examiner: **Lora E. Barnhart**

Confirmation No.: **2668**

Atty. Dkt. No.: **12642.0065.NPUS01**

**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 CFR 1.136(a)**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for a one-month extension of time to and including August 17, 2009, in which to file a response to the Office Action dated April 17, 2009.

The Commissioner is authorized to deduct the extension fee (\$130) from Howrey LLP Deposit Account No. 08-3038/12642.0065.NPUS01. Should any additional fees be required for any reason relating to this document, the Commissioner is authorized to deduct such fees from the same deposit account.

Respectfully submitted,

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